

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Brian L. Benson's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Benson has devoted more than 27 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader of soldiers, dedicating himself to the assistance of soldiers as the Senior Personnel Sergeant in the SIDPERs Branch, and has made a tremendous impact on the South Dakota National Guard Personnel field through deployments, transformation, and state missions; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

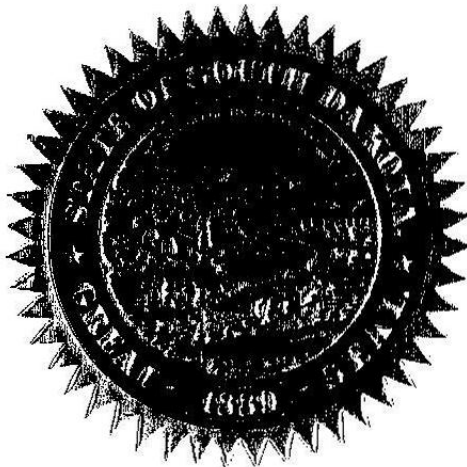
Whereas, Sergeant First Class Benson continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Brian L. Benson for more than 27 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

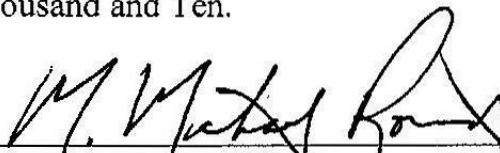
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 27, 2010, as

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS BRIAN L. BENSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State